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# Public Safety Advisory Board

**The PSAB was established by the 2010 General Assembly and is comprised of public members with duties enumerated in Iowa Code Section 216A.133A to:**

- Review and make recommendations related to current sentencing provisions
- Review and make recommendations related to proposed legislation
- Provide expertise and advice to other state agencies charged with formulating fiscal, correctional, and minority impact statements
- Review data from other agencies to determine effectiveness and efficiency in collection of such data

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## 2017 Legislative Recommendations

- Enactment of Anti-Racial Profiling Legislation
- Modifying Penalties for Crack and Powder Cocaine  
*Review the current crack to powder ratio disparity in sentencing*
- Strengthen Child Kidnapping Laws  
*Distinguish between adult and child victims*  
*Penalty enhancements for repeat offenders*  
*Make non-parental/custodial kidnapping a class B felony*
- Modify Robbery 1<sup>st</sup> penalties to align with Robbery 2<sup>nd</sup>  
*The mandatory minimum term for Robbery 2<sup>nd</sup> offenders was reduced to a range of 50% to 70% in 2016*
- Modify Special Sentence for Sex Offenders  
*Allow for reduction of sentence by the courts*